

EVENTS OF INTEREST  
IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

## WOMAN AND THE HOME

DOMESTIC HELPS AND  
AIDS TO HOUSEWIVESSo Prepared, You See,  
To Meet Jack Frost

The young lady across the way says no modern literature can compare with Washington's Gettysburg address.

James E. Watkins  
Too Bourgeois For  
Wife's Relatives

Because he claimed his wife's relatives in the state of Washington wanted to get rid of him in order to further their social ambitions, James E. Watkins, a soldier in the United States army, was freed from the charge of bigamy in the criminal superior court yesterday. Prosecutor Delaney of the city court recommended a nolle and Watkins left the court room a free man. He still has over two years to serve in the army.

Watkins was arrested in this city a short time ago on complaint of a woman in Port Chester, N. Y., who claimed to be his second wife. She had found letters in his pockets which showed he had a wife living in Washington. Watkins admitted he had a wife and two children in Washington, but said they turned him out after his wife inherited some property and had a desire to gain a social position.

He wandered around the country and finally enlisted in the army. While on a furlough he married the Port Chester woman. The second wife, since Watkins' arrest, has related and did not wish to press the charge.

William M. Cole, of Hackensack, N. J., was awarded \$3,000 in his suit against the Pennsylvania Railroad for the loss of his eye in an accident in the machine shop.

Appointed Guardian  
of Children, Father  
Deserts Them For War

While their father, Joseph Toth, a Hungarian is fighting in the trenches for the Teutonic allies, little Elizabeth and Joseph Toth, aged five and three years respectively are sadly neglected here. The father, a former employe of the American Tube & Stamping Co., separated from his wife nearly three years ago. On April 15, 1915 he applied to the probate court to be appointed guardian of the children saying that the mother had deserted them and gone to Chicago. Judge Hallen named him guardian. About a year ago he took the children to the home of his wife's sister, Louis Gail, who has filed a petition asking that she be given back the custody of her children. She claims her husband beat and abused her and that she was forced to leave him. She also claims he beat and abused the children. She says no notice of intention to have her removed as guardian was ever served on her.

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Home Dress Making  
LessonsPrepared Especially For This Newspaper  
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## Short, Pleated Skirts Hold Sway.

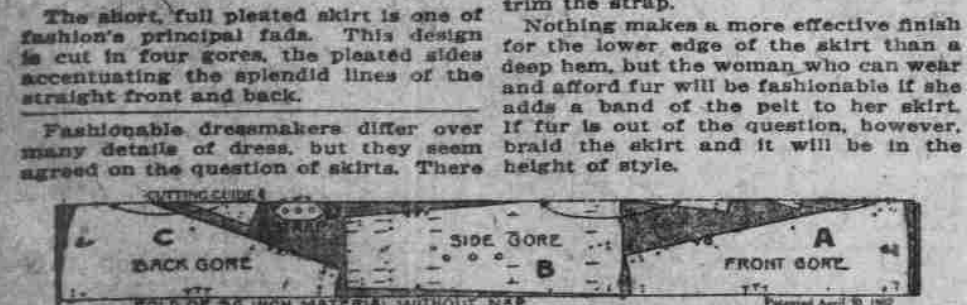
are two general rules for the amateur to follow in which event she will not make a mistake, have the skirt full and make it short. Embodying these fashionable essentials the skirt shown here is one of the latest applications for popular favor. It is a four-piece model with box-pleated side gores. The closing is at the left side front, with the width about the lower edge is between 2 1/2 and 3 yards. In medium size the skirt requires 3 1/2 yards 26-inch material.

The home dressmaker should study the cutting guide carefully before attempting to cut out the skirt. Fold the material evenly, then place the various sections of the pattern on the goods in accordance with the guide. The back and front gores are laid on the lengthwise fold, with the side gore placed between them, this, however, on a lengthwise fold. The pleatings for the gores are cut from the opposite side of the material, the straight edge of the pattern resting on the selvage edge of the goods. The strap is laid on a lengthwise fold.

The small "oo" perforations at the lower edge of the gores are for the purpose of determining the length of the skirt.

The strap which holds the pleats in place is finished with pointed ends, or a square outline may be gained by cutting off the ends of the strap about one inch from the points. A button or any fancy ornament may be used to trim the strap.

Nothing makes a more effective finish for the lower edge of the skirt than a deep hem, but the woman who can wear and afford fur will be fashionable if she adds a band of the felt to her skirt. If fur is out of the question, however, braid the skirt and it will be in the height of style.



These Home Dressmaking articles are prepared especially for this newspaper from the very latest styles by The Pictorial Review.

So Prepared, You See,  
To Meet Jack Frost

This winter luxury is built of seal, richly banded with monkey fur. With it go a chunky muff and a jaunty turban of coral colored silk poplin, laced with a white ostrich pompon tucked on the right side.

LITTLE BENNY'S  
NOTEBOOK  
By Lee Page

Me and Puds Skinkins and Sam Krawas was setting awn my frunt stoop this afternoon and Skinny Martin came running up, saying, 'Hay, fellows, come awn down to the cornin', thares 2 Eytalianz talking to each other down there and you cant undirstand a word there saying, G wizz itz funny.'

G letz us down and listen, sed Puds Skinkins. And we all awn down and heer they was still standing there talking to each other, being 2 big Eytalianz with black mustashes, soundin as if they was each saying wun grute big lawng wurd instad of a lot of littel words.

Us fellus stood there watching them a wile, and I sed, G, I wundir if they reely undirstand each other or jest seem to.

Yes we they undirstand each other, wud wood be the use of 2 Eytalianz always speak that fast, I sed.

I guess they cood speak slower if they wanted to, sed Puds Skinkins, and Sam Krawas sed, I wundir if its hard to speak, uppygoots att malla. Being supposid to be Eytalian, and we all laffed like anything awn account of it soundin even funnier than the reel Eytalian.

Spagetti comma doodle, sed Skinny Martin. And evvrybody laffed agen and I sed, Tomato spagetti. And evvrybody laffed agen and kepp awn laffin, and Puds Skinkins sed, Macaroni pizza gadumpty. And we kepp awn keepin awn laffin and the fest think we noo one Eytalianz had me and Puds by the collers and the uthir Eytalian had Skinny and Sam.

You no like our langwidge sed the Eytalianz this time and Puds and Sam and I, sure we do, sed Puds. Its awl rite langwidge, I sed.

Go best it to yourself home, sed the Eytalian. And he gave me and Puds a push and the uthir wun gavs Skinny and Sam a push, and we kepp awn going till we was back awn my frunt steps.

A NEW SERVICE.  
THE COAST GUARD

The Revenue Cutter service and the Life Saving service were consolidated into the United States Coast Guard and transformed into a military organization last winter. The new service will be a valuable unit of hard-core, trained men in time of war. In the last 12 months, during part of which the service was separately operated in the old way, nearly 11,000 people were rescued from peril and property amounting to over \$11,000,000 in value was saved.

The reorganization insures more efficient administration along military lines. Retirement provisions are introduced which will develop a higher standard of personnel both among men and officers.

At every danger point and thickly populated place along the Atlantic coast, the Gulf of Mexico, the Pacific coast, Alaska and the Great Lakes, the new Coast Guard is on constant watch. The work is done from both shore stations and cruising cutters and involves a multitude of activities. The latter now include the ice patrol in the North Atlantic, by which all vessels having wireless are warned of the location of dangerous ice; warnings to vessels in danger; medical attention to sick and injured; recovery of bodies cast up by the waters; aiding vessels in distress; destruction and removal of wrecks, derelicts and other vessels dangerous to navigation; protection of the customs revenue; enforcement of the quarantine and neutrality laws; suppression of mutiny on merchant vessels; protection of game, seals and other fisheries in Alaska.

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LAURA JEAN LIBBY'S DAILY TALKS ON  
HEART TOPICS

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## THE JOY OF EXPECTATION.

"What would we do in this world of ours  
Were it not for the dreams ahead?  
For thorns are mixed with the blooming flowers,  
No matter which path we tread."

The first aid to happiness is the pleasure of expectancy. The young girl will be like-of her first beau, as well. The bride has joyous expectations of the happy life which stretches away from the altar. Even the mother gathers about her brood of babies about as keenly forgetful of the care and bother they may have been to her, in the proud expectations which her fancy maps out for a future in which they will have no crosses, no burdens to bear, no storms; only sunshine and fair weather. Even the aged grandma, sitting peacefully knitting in the chimney corner, has her expectations-of meeting those she has loved and lost who have gone on before.

Then, too, know the sweets of expectation quite as fully as do women. Deny it though he may, there is scarcely a man who has not his expectation of marrying and settling down after he has taken his fling of life's gaieties. He has his happy expectation of a home from which he can shut out dull care and the world's worries; the expectation of a loving wife who will come to the door to meet him with a smile; of a troop of study youngsters romping through the halls each eager to be first to welcome daddy-daddy-daddy never ends in the human breast. When the children of his brain fancies have become realities—are young men in college—expectations are young men in his breast, in their behalf. He drives harder than ever at his business to accumulate money to give each one a start. He has joyful expectations of seeing this and that professional man, that one a merchant and the other upon fame's highest pinnacle.

This one may blunder, that one may fail, and the other sidestep from above, but his expectations neither drop nor fall. They are ever buoyant. The patient in the last stages of a fatal malady would succumb at once without a hope of recovery. The physician also feels the thrill of expectancy in everyday life, waiting for his faithful performance of duty. He will tell you, "Where there is life there is always hope." The lawyer pins his faith to expectancy to win no matter how many difficulties face him. The very faith he imbues others with, and the legal battle is won. The artist from the operatic stage, the queen of the drama, the merry-heart, the chorus girl fairly live upon their expectations of a golden future. What would the shop girl's life be without that gleam—expectation? It is oftentimes the ladder by which she mounts from obscurity to wealth.

MISS LIBBY'S REPLIES  
TO YOUR LETTERS

Miss Libby's answers to your letters. Correct name and address must be given to insure attention. Initials printed. Write short letters on one side of paper only. Use ink. Personal letters cannot be answered. Address Miss Laura Jean Libby, No. 916 President Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

REASON WHY  
PARENTS OBJECT

Dear Miss Libby:—  
I am a girl 16, engaged to a young man of 19. Parents are against our engagement. He was engaged to a girl before. She is not living on account of trying indifference. Please advise what is best for me—to continue engaged, or to drop our betrothal.

B. F. H.  
Earnestly talk it over with your parents. Ask unbiased opinion. Course of true love seldom runs smooth. He may be worthy. Engagements are sacred. Give plenty of thought to it.

SHE ASKS FOR LOVE,  
NOT WASTE OF TIME

Dear Miss Libby:—  
I am a girl of 17. I have been keeping company with a young man for some time. He told me that he loved me, yet he has been escorting another girl. Really does he love me? Please advise me what to do, as I am so anxious not to waste time and love.

R. L.  
You have a sensible idea. Girls do not want to trifle with time and love. Find out intentions.

## THE GIFT OF A COAT.

Dear Miss Libby:—  
I am a man of 32. In a government position earning \$150 per month. I am to wed Christmas. Desiring to make my bride a sensible present, I thought of a cloak right thing. Not so expensive, but would last her years. She is careful of her clothes. Having heard that fur is one thing in the shop and another thing on the animal's back, I write to ask if you will tell me what furs they put in hoods really.

A. V.

A fur dealer informed me that "Hudson seal" is muskrat skin. "Siberian pony" is selected Russian calfskin. "Baile Lynx" is a large Belgian hare. "Yarkoff Lynx" is Canadian wildcat. "Kamchatka fox" is the fur of the northern timber wolf. "Iceland white fox" is white Tibet-lamb combed until the hair is straight. There are many others. One should buy from a reliable dealer, who will tell you exactly what they are if you ask for the information.

ODDS WITH PARENTS  
OVER TWO LOVERS

Dear Miss Libby:—  
I read your advice. Ask aid. Go with a youth of 15 whom I like very much. He loves me, he says. Does not go with others. Mother and father do not like him. He has no bad habits, but not allowed to keep company with him, but with a young man of 20. He is a Christian (the latter). I like him, but I do not love him. Parents do. I love the other best. Please tell me (a young girl) which is best to keep company with.

Do not be over-anxious about the one you like best. Parents judge wisely. Think it over.

TWO YOUNG MEN WELL  
OFF; SHE LOVES BOTH

Dear Miss Libby:—  
Hope for your opinion to decide. Am girl of 23. Two men love me. I really care for both. Each has money. One has more than the other. One is 33, the other 40. Await with thanks your view.

R. M. O.  
In the near future you will be able to find out their good qualities and defects on the one you love best. Money should not count. It is a matter of a good heart.

## BOOSTING AMERICA.

Upwards of 250,000 tourists visited the great national parks of the Far West this year. Last year the total was but about 50,000. Of course, the San Francisco Exposition drew many Eastern visitors who, en route to the Pacific coast, stopped to see America's scenic wonders. It is true, however, that the national parks by the Secretary of the Interior, with the direct purpose of encouraging "See America First" movement, did much to enlarge the number of Americans who chose to spend a part of their vacation thus. Methods of access to the principal parks have been improved and the accommodations available to tourists, whether they prefer luxury or go to "rough" it, have been expanded. Another big season for the parks is expected next summer and plans are under way to offer visitors still better traveling and living facilities.

## TWO SUCCESSFUL FIGHTS.

In California and more recently in New Orleans, plague-infected rats got ashore and the fleas upon them communicated plague to human beings. In both these cases the state and local health authorities called on the Public Health Service to conduct the fight to prevent spread of the disease. In California the Federal disease fighters were successful. Undoubtedly the country owes the suppression of threatened epidemics of this most fatal of pestilences to the government's corps of health defenders.

This service has been much expanded under President Wilson and includes manifold duties of the highest importance. It affords citizens of the United States a guarantee against invasion of American territory by the unfortunates who are crippled in mind or afflicted with communicable diseases as the result of the war.

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EUROPEAN WOMAN  
LEAVES FIRESIDE  
FOR MAN'S WORKWarned She Must Eventually  
Step Aside Yet Women  
Persist in Industrial  
Pursuit.

Zurich, Switzerland, Dec. 22.—With the new levy in Austria-Hungary drawing away yet many thousands more men from civil occupations, the demand for female help has been further increased. Women are now not only welcomed, but eagerly sought for in various fields of industry and commerce from which they were previously sternly excluded. But at the same time they have been given to understand that this is only a temporary condition, and they must be prepared to make room for the men when they come back from the field.

Quite apart from the much talked of women street car conductors, one sees the sex engaged now in all kinds of work, in factories, stores and offices, everywhere. In the laborer's circles of great industrial plants the "Frau Doktor" is standing behind scales, and retorts, and bottles, engaged in the most intricate chemical analyses. Before the war she was only admitted as an assistant, but as one after the other of her male colleagues was called to the army, she was permitted to fill their places.

Coming into Vienna on the northern railway, hundreds of women may be seen working on the gigantic coal heaps, shoveling the coal into the hoppers and performing the heaviest kind of manual labor. Formerly every body would have scoffed at the idea of a female "coalman" but now nobody turns to look at her.

Amateur women photographers have become assistants to doctors in X-ray work, and in electrotherapy, peptic treatment. In Graz special courses of instruction in photography are being given for this work. The young women have already done excellent work, and receive certificates attesting their fitness.

The capable housewife no longer remains at home; her services have been found valuable in taking the domestic management of hospitals, convalescent homes, and sanatoriums. If living in the country, she devotes herself to raising poultry and eggs, or fruit growing. The agricultural colleges are constantly increasing their number of women students. People who hitherto opposed the idea of women becoming gardeners are now applying to the colleges for them. Young women have been trained in the art of landscape gardening. A special school for them has recently been opened in Vienna.

This problem of the effect of the entry of women into the labor market after the war, is already engaging the serious attention of the authorities in Austria and in Germany. Only recently the Bavarian government issued a public notice to women against rushing into fields of work so far monopolized by men. They were told in plain terms, that as a matter of course they would have to give up their places to men as soon as the latter were back from the army; and that therefore they ought not to spend money on training in business colleges for employment which would only prove temporary. But just the same these colleges have gone on advertising for pupils and promising them most lucrative engagements at the end of a few weeks' course. And the rush of new applicants has continued despite the warning of the authorities that in Bavaria, at least, the supply of women labor of all grades is greater than the demand.

ENGLISH WOMEN  
GROOM HORSES

London, Dec. 22.—Women now form the staff of three horse depots, at Reims, where they are not only doing military stable duty and grooming the horses, but are actually instructing soldiers in riding. This is the most startling kind of war work yet undertaken by women. All of them are used to horses and to riding after the bounds and enjoy their new duties.

ROBERTSON TAKES  
PLACE OF MURRAY  
ON LONDON STAFF

London, Dec. 22.—Premier Asquith announced in the House of Commons today that Lieutenant General Sir William R. Robertson, chief of the general staff, had been recalled from France to become chief of the Imperial staff at army headquarters in London in place of Lieutenant General Sir Archibald Murray, who was about to receive an important command.

SWEDISH-AMERICAN CO.  
WON'T BUY BIG LINERS

London, Dec. 22.—Rumors which have been current for several days to the effect that the Swedish-American Line was to buy two Hamburg-American liners, appears to have been disposed of by a despatch from Stockholm to Reuters' Telegraph Co. This message said that the newspaper Aftonbladet had published a statement from the Swedish-American Co. that the report is without foundation and that no purchase of German liners could be considered before the end of the war.

DENY SERBIAN KING  
HAS GONE TO ITALY

Rome, Dec. 22.—The report from Caserta, Italy, that King Peter of Serbia, had arrived in Italy, accompanied by his prime minister, M. Pachitch, without foundation, according to a news agency despatch.

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## TODAY'S POEM

## THE RETURN.

He has come home again, to pace  
once more  
The yew-hedge walks behind his  
garden walls—  
To watch in peace the twilight shades  
draw on  
Amid the silence of a drowsy world.  
But yester-eve I passed him in the  
lane  
Ah, pitiful! a crushed and creeping  
thing  
That children shriek and fly from  
when they meet,  
As from some frightful spectre of a  
dream!  
Thank God, 'twas dark, 'twas very  
dark,  
And thus I needed not once more to  
read my soul  
In looking straightly at the shrap-  
nel's work,  
Striving to keep the horror from my  
face.  
His share is done—full measure brings  
mingling o'er:  
Naught left but to sit patient in the  
sun  
And wait the kindest hand of all to  
lead him hence  
Bravest of many brave was he, hon-  
ored and acclaimed  
Alas! his mother hears him weeping  
in the night!  
—Ethel H. Wolfe, in New York  
Times.

## CORNER FOR COOKS

## Bread Puddings.

Bread puddings should be tied very closely to allow them to expand. Puddings boiled in a cloth should be moved occasionally to prevent them from adhering to the kettle. A plate or saucer placed in the bottom of the kettle will prevent the pudding from burning or adhering. Puddings boiled in a cloth should be covered with boiling water; boiled in a mould, the water should not quite reach the mould. Puddings boiled in a cloth basin or mould, when done, should be plunged suddenly into cold water and turned out instantly; this will prevent sticking, and dumplings boiled or steamed should be served at once. If it is impossible to serve them at once, cover with the cloth in which they were boiled and serve as quickly as possible.

## Christmas Plum Pudding.

One quart seeded raisins, one pint currants, half pint citron cut up, one quart of apples peeled and chopped, a quart of fresh and nicely chopped beef suet, a quart of sweet milk, a heaping quart of stale bread crumbs, eight eggs beaten separately, one pint sugar, grated nutmeg, teaspoon salt, four fruit thoroughly washed and dried, then mix remainder as follows: In a large bowl or tray put the eggs with sugar, nutmeg and milk stir in the fruit, bread crumbs and suet, one after the other until all are used, adding enough flour to make the fruit stick together; dip pudding cloth in boiling water, put in pudding and tie tightly, boil from two to three hours in plenty of hot water. Serve with any pudding sauce. This recipe furnishes enough for 20 people, but if the family is small, halve the quantity may be prepared.

## RYE BREAD.

For one loaf made in the morning soften one cake of yeast in 1-4 cup lukewarm water, 3 squares of chocolate, 1 cup lukewarm water, 1 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1 tablespoon caraway seeds, 1 1/2 cups white flour and enough sifted rye flour to make a dough that may be kneaded. Use white flour in kneading. Wash out the bowl, cover close and when double its bulk turn upside down on the board and roll under foot. Put in a French bread pan. Cover and when again light slash it three or four times across the top and bake about 50 minutes.

## SARDINE SALAD.

A pimento-sardine salad is both unusual and toothsome. Remove the bones from the sardines, chop and mix with an equal quantity each of chopped pimentos and celery and one-third the quantity each of olives and nut meats. Chill and serve in a border of jellied tomato with a rich mayonnaise dressing. Very nice.

## CIDER JELLY.

Boften the contents of a box of gelatin in 1 cup of boiling water and 3 cups of sugar and 2 squares of chocolate, then add 1 pint of sweet cider, the juice of 3 lemons and the grated rind of one. Strain into molds which have been wet with cold water and let stand on ice until firm.

## CHOCOLATE CAKE.

One cup of sugar, 1-2 cup of butter, 3 eggs, 2 cups of pastry flour, 1 cup of sweet milk, 3 squares of chocolate, 1 teaspoon of soda dissolved in half the milk. Take 1-2 cup of milk yolk of 3 egg, 3 tablespoons of extra sugar and chocolate. Put in a bowl over double boiler, cook till thick, then cool and add to first mixture.

## PORK CAKE.

One pound salt pork (fat) after the rind is off, chopped fine and soaked in one pint of strong coffee, one tablespoon of all-spice, one-quarter of cloves, one nutmeg, one coffee cup of brown sugar, one coffee cup of molasses, one pound raisins (seeded), one pound currants, citron if liked, one tablespoonful soda. Flour enough to make a batter that will drop (not run) from the spoon; bake in one big round loaf, will keep a long time, be longer the better. You may leave out the peas and add a little brandy the last time.

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